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Title: AUDIO/VIDEO SYSTEM AND METHOD UTILIZING A HEAD MOUNTED
APPARATUS WITH NOISE ATTENUATION
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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

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In response to the Office Action dated March 12, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

1. (currently amended): An audio/video system for providing different combinations of audio and video signals associated with an event, comprising:

an interface device configured to receive a plurality of video signals associated with said event, said interface device configured to modulate said video signals and to transmit said modulated video signals; and

a receiver configured to receive said modulated video signals and to receive modulated audio signals, each of said modulated audio signals associated with said event, said receiver configured to demodulate said modulated video and audio signals and to select one of said video signals and one of said audio signals based on inputs from a user, ~~said receiver including a head mounted apparatus, said head mounted apparatus comprising:~~

a display device configured to receive said one video signal and to produce images defined by said one video signal;

not necessary in head mounted
~~a head mount coupled to said display device such that said images are visible to a user when said head mount is engaged with said user's head; configured to engage said user's head;~~

a first noise reduction device coupled to said head mount, said first noise reduction device having a first recess and positioned such that said first noise reduction device engages said user's head when said head mount is engaged with said user's head, said first noise reduction device further positioned such that an ear of said user is located within said first recess when said first noise reduction device engages said user's head;

a second noise reduction device coupled to said head mount, said second noise reduction device having a second recess and positioned such that said second noise reduction device engages said user's head when said head mount is engaged with said user's head, said second noise reduction device further positioned such that another ear of said user is located within said second recess when said second noise reduction device engages said user's head; and

a first speaker coupled to said first noise reduction device and configured to produce sounds defined by said one audio signal; ~~and~~

~~a strap coupled to said first and second noise reduction devices.~~

2. (currently amended): The system of claim 1, further comprising a strap coupled to said first and second noise reduction devices, wherein said strap has an adjustable length,

3. (original): The system of claim 1, further comprising a second speaker coupled to said second noise reduction device and configured to produce sounds defined by said one audio signal.

4. (original): The system of claim 1, wherein:
said first noise reduction device includes a first slot adapted to receive said head mount, said first slot defined by a wall of said first noise reduction device, said wall of said first noise reduction device including a series of first notches, said head mount having a first ridge that is sequentially received by said first notches as said head mount passes through said first slot; and
said second noise reduction device includes a second slot adapted to receive said head mount, said second slot defined by a wall of said second noise reduction device, said wall of said second noise reduction device including a series of second notches, said head mount having a second ridge that is sequentially received by said second notches as said head mount passes through said second slot.

5. (original): The system of claim 4, wherein said first ridge is formed on a flexible portion of said head mount that deforms when said first ridge is sufficiently pressed against said wall of said first noise reduction device, and wherein said second ridge is formed on a flexible portion of said head mount that deforms when said second ridge is sufficiently pressed against said wall of said second noise reduction device.

6. (original): The system of claim 1, wherein said event is an auto race and said one video signal defines an image produced by a camera positioned within a vehicle participating in said auto race.

7. (original): The system of claim 6, wherein said one audio signal defines a communication by a driver of said vehicle.

8. (cancelled)

9. (cancelled)

10. (cancelled)

11. (cancelled)

12. (cancelled)

13. (cancelled)

14. (cancelled)

15. (cancelled)

16. (currently amended): The ~~method~~ system of claim ~~11~~ 1, wherein said event occurs
at a stadium attended by said user during said event.

17. (cancelled)

18. (cancelled)